

WASHINGTON, D.C. February 14, 1888.

Rev. Anthony Dick, C.P.P.S.

Supt. St. Joseph's Normal School.

Rensselaer, Indiana.

Dear Rev. Father:

I have, this morning, received from the Hon. Commissioner of Indian Affairs, the enclosed letter, which is an answer to my request for information concerning the return to their homes of pupils of St. Joseph's Normal School at Rensselaer. You will please take a copy of it for your future use, and return this original to me. By it you will see that it is not the wish of the Government that the Indians should go home. I can not say any more than that we must follow the instructions of the Department. I received your letter about the boy from Michigan, Hamilton, by name. I will make out the account in proper form for the expenses and send it to Father Kramer to get it sworn to by the man who accompanied the boy to Rensselaer, and then will present it to the Government for payment. Keep the boy. It will make your complement of 50. Be sure to remember the exact day on which he arrived at your school. His name will appear in your next report, and your pay will be reckoned from and including the day of his arrival.

Yours Truly in Xto.

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